

MEETING OF THE CITY OF RUSHVILLE, INDIANA COMMON COUNCIL

FEBRUARY 18, 2020

6:00 P.M.

CALL TO ORDER: The Common Council of the City of Rushville met on the above date and time at 330 N Main Street, Suite 200, Rushville Indiana. Mayor Pavey called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

PLEDGE TO THE FLAG: The Pledge to the Flag was recited by those present.

PRAYER: Council President Berkemeier led those present in prayer.

ROLL CALL: Bob Bridges, Brad Berkemeier, Elton Marzon, Mike Daubenspeck, Aaron Gurley, and Megan Bradley answered roll call. Also present were City Attorney, Tracy Newhouse, and Kraig Younts, *Rushville Republican*.

PUBLIC HEARING: Trane Tax Abatement – Mayor Pavey opened the meeting for a public hearing on a tax abatement requested by Trane. There were no questions or comments. Berkemeier moved to close the public hearing. Gurley seconded the motion. The public hearing was closed.

MINUTES: Daubenspeck moved to approve the minutes from February 4, 2020 as presented. Bridges seconded the motion. Motion carried.

MAYOR'S REPORT:

Mayor Pavey reported that he gave the State of the City Address today to the Rotary. He will also give this presentation to the Kiwanas on the 26th.

CLERK-TREASURER'S REPORT: Copley asked the Council to make sure they sign all the documents that are passed around for signatures. She also asked that they speak up so the minutes get recorded accurately.

COUNCIL PRESIDENT'S REPORT: Nothing to report.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

- **Stellar Designation-** The Board of Works accepted bids for the Overlook and Gateway projects. They were tabled for review.
- **Amphitheater/Park Board** – The bands for this year will be announced on the 20th.
- **APC/BZA** – Meetings are scheduled for tomorrow.

- **Housing** – Pavey said work continues. Berkemeier reported that the HOTIF will come before the APC at their meeting tomorrow. It will come before Council the first meeting in March.
- **ECDC** – Nothing.
- **Cherry Street Extension** – Nothing.

DEPARTMENT HEAD REPORTS:

Police – Chief Tucker passed out a statistics report for January.

Tucker said they have a 2007 Ford Edge that is aging and would like to trade it in. Hubler has a 2018 Chevy Impala with less than 15,000 miles. He said this would be a perfect vehicle for a detective. The total cost with trade in would be \$16,224.00. It would be paid for from non-reverting funds. Marzon moved to approve Tucker's request. Berkemeier seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Fire – Chief Munson said the Board of Works approved to start the process for promotions. They also agreed to enter into an agreement with the Township to be simultaneously dispatched for fire runs.

Animal – Director Cottrell said the Board of Works approved to hire a full time assistant.

CITIZEN CONCERNS/COMMENTS: None.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

1. **Street Light Project** – There are 3 locations outstanding.
2. **Non-City Property at Point 44 and Old 44** – Newhouse is working on documentation for the Duke Annexation. He will schedule for a public hearing. Berkemeier moved to accept the introduction of Ordinance 2020-5. Gurley seconded the motion. Motion carried. Pavey said that Yazel is also agreeable to annexation.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. **Resolution 2020-5 Declaratory Resolution Trane – Resolution 2020-6 Resolution Confirming Declaratory Resolution for Trane –**

Berkemeier moved to approve Resolution 2020-5 the Declaratory Resolution and 2020-6 the Resolution Confirming the Declaratory Resolution. Marzon seconded the motion. Motion carried.

2. **Ordinance 2020-4 Bidding and Purchasing Requirements** – Mayor Pavey said he reviewed this today with Berkemeier. We may want to make some changes. We just need to make sure we meet the state requirements.

3. **Resolution 2020-10 Supporting the Creation of the Rushville Public Giving and Community Improvement Corp (RPGCIC) – 501.C.3** – Berkemeier moved to approve Resolution 2020-10. Bridges seconded the motion. Motion carried.
4. **Park's Gala** – Director Burklow reported that 172 people attended the gala. They had 100 auction items and raised \$25,000.00 before expenses. He has discussed paving with Gener Stanley and will order the fitness equipment.
5. **2nd Amendment Conversation** – Mayor Pavey passed out a sample Ordinance for review. He said we will do an ordinance at some point.
6. **Resolution 2020-11 Street Dedication (Commerce Park)** – Berkemeier moved to approve Resolution 2020-11. Marzon seconded the motion. Motion carried.
7. **Resolution 2020-7 Sale of 1.73 Acres Rushville Villas** – Berkemeier moved to approve Resolution 2020-7. Daubenspeck seconded the motion. Motion carried with Marzon abstaining from the vote.
8. **Interlocal Agreement City-County- Phase III Cherry Street Extension 200 N Transfer of Segment of Road from County to City** – The Board of Works gave a favorable recommendation. Berkemeier moved to approve Resolution 2020-4 and the Interlocal Agreement. Daubenspeck seconded the motion. Motion carried.
9. **Ordinance 2020-8 Downtown Parking Ordinance** – Pavey gave Council a copy of the map for their review.
10. **Ordinance 2020-7 Trash Fee** – Copley handed out the 2011 study that was done by Baker Tilly and the current one. She also provided a spreadsheet showing what other communities charge for trash pickup. Pavey said we need to make sure the fee is related to offset trash costs only. The fee will be put on the water bill. After some discussion Gurley moved to table for review. Daubenspeck seconded the motion. Motion carried.

CLAIMS: Berkemeier moved to approve the claims as presented. Marzon seconded the motion. Motion carried.

ITEMS NOT KNOWN IN ADVANCE: None.

ADJOURN: There was no further business to come before Council; Berkemeier moved to adjourn. The meeting adjourned at 7:08 p.m.